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TAGS: PFOR, ABLD, US, UR

SUBJECT: SOVIET REQUEST FOR TAX EXEMPT APARTMENT PURCHASE

REF: -A) STATE 251663 B) MOSCOW 16829 C) MOSCOW 14953

D) STATE 211769

1. UPDK COMMENCED WORK ON SECOND FLOOR NOVEMBER 11, BUT IS UNWILLING TO GIVE ANY ESTIMATED DATE FOR COMPLETION OF THIS PROJECT AND SIXTH FLOOR CONVERSION IN NORTH WING WHICH IS TO COMMENCE ON COMPLETION WORK ON SECOND FLOOR.

2. OF THE FIVE APARTMENTS REQUESTED IN JANUARY 1974, UPDK HAS TURNED OVER ONE APARTMENT AT VISHNEVSKOGO 4 AND HAS SAID SECOND WILL BE COMPLETED BY DECEMBER.

3. IN RESPONSE TO REPEATED REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AS TO AVAILABILITY OF REMAINING THREE APARTMENTS, UPDK WILL ONLY STATE THAT THEY EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO SHOW US THREE MORE APARTMENTS AT END OF 1974. WHEN PRESSED AGAIN TODAY, IVANYUSHKIN, CHIEF OF UPDK HOUSING DEPARTMENT, REPEATED SAME STATEMENT, SAYING BUILDING SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY END OF YEAR. (APARTMENTS WILL BE INITIALLY CONSTRUCTED TO SOVIET STANDARD AND SEVERAL MONTHS WILL BE REQUIRED TO CONVERT TO LARGER APARTMENTS REQUIRED BY AMERICANS.)

4. IN RESPONSE TO DIRECT QUERY AS TO LOCATION THIS NEW BUILDING NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION, IVANYUSHKIN WOULD ONLY SAY IT IS IN VICINITY OF YUGO-ZAPADNAYA METROSTANITSA

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(METRO STATION SOUTH-WEST). THIS STATION IS LAST STOP ON

KIROVSKOGO-FRUNZENSKAY LINIYA, WHICH IS REMOTE FROM EMBASSY  
AND HIGHLY INCONVENIENT FROM TRANSPORTATION STANDPOINT.  
NONETHELESS, GIVEN UPDK'S POSITION ON HOUSING, EMBASSY WILL  
BE PROBABLY BE CONFRONTED WITH "TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT" SITUATION,  
AND WE PROBABLY HAVE TO ACCEPT WHATEVER IS OFFERED.

5. STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT DEPARTMENT WITHHOLD APPROVAL FOR  
FURTHER SOVIET EMBASSY ACQUISITION OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY  
UNTIL EMBASSY'S OUTSTANDING REQUEST FOR APARTMENTS HAS BEEN  
SATISIFIED (I.E., UNTIL UPDK IN FACT OFFERS THREE ADDITIONAL  
APARTMENTS OF ACCEPTABLE SIZE, QUALITY AND LOCATION.)  
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